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National Negro Congress
of Racial Pride

Subject of Request: _____

FOIPA No. 439741 /190- HQ-1250810

Dear Requester:

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Section 552

Section 552a

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(See Form OPCA-16a, enclosed, for an explanation of these exemptions.)

Pursuant to your request, 13 page(s) were reviewed and 13 page(s) are being released.

During the review of material pertinent to the subject of your request, documents were located which

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September 26, 1968

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Honorable Strom Thurmond
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

I received your communication on September 24th together with the copy of a letter from Mr. Z. W. Meeks of Anderson, South Carolina, and its enclosure.

While I would very much like to be of assistance, Department of Justice regulations regarding the confidential nature of FBI files make it impossible for me to release information on Reverend E. Freeman Yearling for you to pass on to your constituent. I hope he will not infer either that we do or do not have material in our files relating to this individual.

Sincerely yours,

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 - 1 - Mr. DeLoach (detached)
 - 1 - Mr. Bishop (detached)

NOTE: See G. E. Malmfeldt memo to Mr. Bishop dated 9/25/68 captioned "Correspondence from Senator Strom Thurmond enclosing constituent's request for data in FBI files concerning Reverend E. Freeman Yearling." FMG:mrc

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United States Senate

Re: Attached

To: Congressional Liaison
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The attached is respectfully referred to you
for such consideration as it may warrant and
for a report thereon in duplicate.

In your reply to my correspondence, please
refer to this contact as my inquiry on behalf
of the constituent.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Strom Thurmond

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Strom Thurmond
United States Senator

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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September 12, 1968

Honorable J. Strom Thurmond
State Senator
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510


Dear Senator Thurmond:

I am enclosing a leaflet relative to a Negro who is making speeches about the country on RIOTS--CAUSE AND CURE. Some of our folks here have been approached about sponsoring him. Before they become too heavily involved in this, we would be most anxious to have all we can learn about this man's background, thinking, etc.

If you could make a check through the FBI or some House or Senate member from New York regarding this person, we would appreciate it.

Anything you may be able to find out will be helpful to us.

Sincerely,


Z. W. Meeks
Manager

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Enclosure



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Anderson is My Town

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TACT PRESENTS *Reverend*
REV. E. FREEMAN YEARLING
Speaking on
RIOTS--
CAUSE AND CURE



The man who challenged Adam Clayton Powell in the recent special election, Rev. E. Freeman Yearling, not only knows and understands what today's riots are all about but how to solve them. Reverend Yearling is the founder of the National Negro Congress of Racial Pride which lists among its objectives: "To expose and eradicate Communist activity throughout the United States, especially among ethnic minorities . . . To encourage the American Negro, through education, precept and example to become part of the American answer, not the American problem; and to this end, to encourage among American Negroes the realization that an honest day's work, in any honorable calling however humble, is among the noblest calling of any American. To encourage American Negroes to spurn the 'free handouts' of the welfare statists for what they really are: the crassest form of economic slavery, which can only lead the Negro on an ever downward spiral of misery and dependency."

Strong words from a strong man. He has the courage to tell the truth! Will you listen?

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National Negro Congress of Racial Pride INC.

931 ORLANDO AVENUE

WEST HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK 11552

REVEREND E. FREEMAN YEARNING
Founder and National Director

NY. GA.

of National Negro Congress
of Racial Pride Incorporated

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Dear Members and Friends:

As the head of a National Organization, "The National Negro Congress of Racial Pride," an organization that was designed to cultivate an americanistic and conservative world outlook and perspective, I think it is my sacred duty and responsibility to attend all future conventions, assemblies, and meetings that necessitate the presence of heads of organizations; I know, rather than think, it my duty to attend these functions to magnify and dramatize the americanistic and conservative views; of which I strongly support.

After very thorough and conscientious consideration of all pertinent factors involved, to wit: the instituting and magnification of our organization - it's ideals, philosophies, and principles into the core of unimpeded focus, I have come to the following conclusions: that those who aspire to meaningful leadership at a time like this and for some time to come must at all time be broad minded and very farsighted; their horizons must be broad enough to encompass all. They must at all times use sound judgment, good common sense, and appropriate discretion. They must exercise positive and constructive dealings with the people at all times.

It is my unwavering and sincere conviction that now is a time for more realism to be instilled into every facet of the inevitable transition that the world populace is presently experiencing.

In the very near future there will be numerous conventions, assemblies, and meetings with the intent of either designing or determining the destinys of the people; and I feel it my role, as head of a national organization, to offer or put forth every conceivable effort to keep these gatherings on the side of true Americanism and conservatism.

I am speaking specifically of the "Black Power Convention", presently intended for Atlanta, Georgia on September third through seventh of this year; and the "Coalition of Black Leadership", called for by Mr. Whitney Young, head of the National Urban League; and other gatherings with the same basic ideals and aims as those stated.

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I am going to attend all such meetings possible, and within my financial means, to push our position and keep all of my members and friends thoroughly informed on what has and is developing and what our response should be as I see it. The final decision on our plan of action will be determined after a careful evaluation of the response of our readers.

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Regardless of those feelings that might be to the contrary, I am convinced beyond doubt that my success and the success of this organization in cultivating an americanistic and conservative world outlook at these gatherings rests solely upon the support - spiritually, morally, and financially of those concerned members and friends.

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Assuming that our appeal to those members and friends that are truly concerned with having a voice in their own destiny meet with favorable financial support, we will be publishing a national monthly newsletter to keep those individuals in tuned with our personal observations at these gatherings. And we will state explicitly the role of the "National Negro Congress of Racial Pride" in shaping the course of events.

For the benefit of all concerned The "National Negro Congress of Racial Pride" has its own legal entity. It is independent of outside influence, and subject solely to the will of the members that compose its body.

It is registered with the County Registrar in the County of Nassau, Mineola, New York.

Donations should be made payable to the

"National Negro Congress of Racial Pride", Inc.
931 Orlando Avenue
W. Hempstead, New York 11552

Thank you,

R. E. Freeman Yearling

Founder, President and National Director

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NATIONAL NEGRO CONGRESS OF RACIAL PRIDE, INC.

931 Orlando Avenue

West Hempstead, New York 11552

Purposes and Objectives

of the

National Negro Congress of Racial Pride, Inc.

**Reverend E. Freeman Yearling
Founder and National Director**

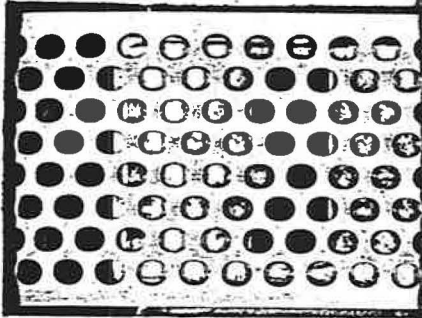
Purposes and Objectives:

1. Our first and foremost objective is the cultivation of pride in self, race, and country.
2. To preserve and proliferate true Americanism by making it a way of life rather than just a theory.
3. To expose and eradicate perverse and subversive activities; (those activities which run counter to the ultimate realization of true Americanism as a way of life.
4. To inform the public of one specific truth: World totalitarianism, however camouflaged is diametrically opposed to human rights and the full realization of true Americanism.
5. To make known to the public the "World Totalitarians" most diabolical plot; the perpetuation of racial unrest, and socio-economical imbalance; to divide, conquer, and enslave the World.
6. To encourage the public through education and example to become part of the world's answer, rather than part of the world's problems.
7. To encourage the receptive public to spurn the free hand-outs of the welfare statists; to expose the welfare statists for what they really are: The crassest form of economic slavery, which can only lead the recipients on an ever downward spiral of ignorance, misery, poverty and dependency.
8. To expose and eradicate those self appointed leaders, the elected leaders and the invisible factions that control them whose seat of power depends on the perpetuation of the very ignorance, misery, poverty, and dependency they claim to oppose.
9. To speak for and as a representative of those individuals registered with our organization pursuant to authority duly derived in a democratic process, as prescribed by the instituted governing body.
10. To provide legal and moral assistance to those who are subjugated, intimidated, and harassed in any manner.
11. To encourage the public to work for the full realization of a society, by the peoples, of the peoples, and for the peoples; a society based upon those ideas and principles contained in true "Americanism," that "just governments" derive their just powers and authority from the consent of the governed.

And to this end the "National Negro Congress of Racial Pride" strides untiringly to make its' purposes and objectives a reality, rather than a dream; and it is to this end and to achieve ultimate success, we beseech you to give your unselfish support to help make pride, honor dignity, and integrity household words, rather than just space-fillers in a dictionary.

It is abundantly clear that our purposes and objectives are truly of the people, by the people, and for the people,

- WE EXTEND A CALL TO UNITY -



NATIONAL NEGRO CONGRESS OF RACIAL PRIDE, INC.
931 Orlando Avenue
West Hempstead, N.Y. 11552

Membership Application

I hereby apply for membership in the

National Negro Congress of Racial Pride.

As a condition for membership I affirm my support for the
stated purposes and objectives.

Enclosed is my dues for 1 year (\$2.50)

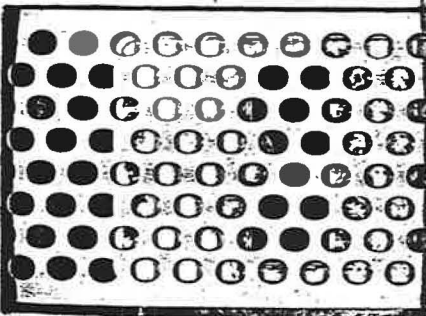
Signature _____

Address _____

City and State _____

Date _____

I affirm and support the purposes and stated objectives of
this organization, but prefer not to join at this time. My
donation of \$_____ is enclosed to further your good work.



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This evening I attended a meeting of the communist party which was held in County headquarters 46-14, Queens Blvd. L.I. City, N.Y. Claudia Jones who was principal speaker tonight did not show up until 9:15 P.M. at that time Helen Stewart was suggesting that the meeting be called off.

Claudia Jones explained that reason she is late was because she has made so many trips to Freeport lately she unconsciously got off subway at the P.R. Railroad station instead of changing at Times Square.

Claudia Jones devoted all her time in discussing the negro, she stated that the lynch mob from the south has reached all the way to Freeport L.I. During her discussion Claudia stated that self determination for the negro in this country can only mean a nation within a nation. She then stated that recently she met eye witnesses of the Columbia University riot and it is unbelievable that such things can happen in a democratic country.

Claudia then stated that it was up to us as Communists

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to intensify our campaign and see that ~~the~~ the justice people responsible for killing in Hiroshima, and the riot in Tenn. are prosecuted.

Claudia Jones then described negro organizations which are under progressive leadership saying that there is the National Negro Congress with a membership of a quarter million and the Urban League, which also has a large membership both organizations are to intensify their fight for Negro rights, also that we can figure on at least 50,000 negro war veterans who will look to progressive organizations for leadership.

A woman addressed as Ruth stated that recently there has been a campaign started in the Queensboro housing project E.P. Club, against discrimination in the local barber shop against negroes adding that there are 300 negro families live in the project and not any of them have ever received service in the only barber shop there which is run by white barbers. Ruth also stated that at one of their recent meetings the barber shop question was brought up and that a E.P. member who had been in the party for 10 years walked

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out because he insisted
that more important subjects
should be discussed, that Negro
being served at that barber shop.

Ruth then continued by
saying that executives of
the club took immediate steps
to expel the member from
the party because not only
did he walk out of the meeting
but he also insisted that barbers
must have special tools for
negro hair.

Claudia Jones told Ruth
that the club was justified in
expelling the member from the
party because at any
Communist meeting a discussion
on the fight for negro rights
always comes first because
it's the most important question
today. Claudia described the
black belt as extending from
Maryland down the coast to
Florida then west to Texas
with other states such as
Ky. and Tenn. included.

Claudia explained that
reason for second meeting
here was delayed for two
weeks was because of
Churchill's war speech.

There were 13 E.P. members
present tonight, [redacted]
and [redacted] were only
ones I knew personally.
altho Helen Stewart was

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Chairman she did not do any talking.

Other members were were from distant clubs, a man present boasted that he was asked to head committee in a fund drive to raise money for an annex to the Jamaica hospital adding that he told them that he would ~~only~~ head the fundraising committee only on condition that negro nurses be hired in the hospital. Description of the man is as follows age about 45 height 5'4" weight 175 lbs, dark brown hair, dark complexion, small mustache in shape of an upside down ~~the~~ letter V wore brown suit, dark grey shirt, a bright flowered tie, corners of the white handkerchief sticking out of coat lapel pocket. he was not addressed by name.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 P.M.

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